

Crime prevention advice for electric fence equipment

- Take a photograph of your unit and keep a record of the make, model and serial number. This will greatly assist the Police if your unit is stolen.
- Mark your energiser in some way, permanent marker pen, waterproof paint or forensic solution such as Smartwater are just a few examples. Do this also to your battery and fence posts. This acts as a deterrent, makes it hard to sell on and easily identifiable to the owner.
- Attach your energiser securely to a sturdy fixed point. Most stolen units are just pulled out of the ground or hooked onto a fence or post. Make it as hard as possible for the thief to remove the energiser, if he has to damage the unit to steal it, it will not be worth taking.
- Small tracker units can be fixed to the energiser to trace its location if stolen.
- If possible hide or camouflage your energiser behind a fence or tree, in a hedge or with under growth.
- If you have a light showing the power is on cover this with tape as it makes the unit easily identifiable in the dark.
- If your energiser is battery operated the same precautions should be taken as batteries are also expensive to replace and open to theft.
- The police believe stolen energisers are being sold on as second hand with no instructions or packaging, if you are aware of items like this being available and you do not believe the reason given for them being missing is correct, please notify the Police.

Please report all thefts to the police.

- If there is a problem in your area action cannot be taken by the police if they do not know the details. Please report everything, whether it is a theft or a suspicious vehicle or person. Ring 101 or 999 if a crime is in progress.
- Ask for an incident number.
- A neighbour or friend may be the next victim, please help to stop this happening!